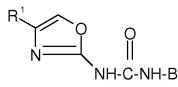


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

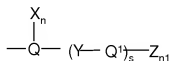
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45. (Currently amended) A method ~~as in claim 38~~, for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis,  
comprising administering a compound of the formula



wherein R¹ is t-butyl and wherein B is of the formula



Q is phenyl or pyridinyl, optionally substituted by halogen up to per-halosubstitution, Q¹

is pyridinyl, phenyl or benzothiazolyl optionally substituted by halogen up to per-halosubstitution, Y is -O-, -S-, -C(O)- or -CH<sub>2</sub>-, X is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl or up to per-halosubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl and Z is ~~as defined in claim 1~~ selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>5</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>5</sup>, -C(O)-NR<sup>5</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, =O, -OR<sup>5</sup>, -SR<sup>5</sup>, -NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>5</sup>, -C(O)R<sup>5</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>5</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>5</sup>, -NR<sup>5</sup>C(O)OR<sup>5</sup>, -NR<sup>5</sup>C(O)R<sup>5</sup>, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy.

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58. (Currently amended) A method for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the formula

